"The South 40"
by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

William Hix called and raised an interesting question. "Can we expect less SLB on next year's corn if we plow rather than discing in the old corn stubble."

We can expect a reduction if the following is accomplished: the stubble is completely covered and all your neighbors do likewise. You'll need to be sure that no corn trash blows over next to the fence line or in adjacent weeds and woods.

We know that to cover all corn residue will be impossible. We also know that everyone will not do it.

So if discing the land is your practice, go ahead and disc, but next year seed a tolerant variety of corn.

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According to the preliminary figure Virginia grew at the rate of 14.5 percent over the past decade while Appomattox had a 3.7 percent increase in population.

The Town of Appomattox had a significant increase in population with a 14.4 percent increase over 1960.

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More than 200 manufacturers of sawmill and logging equipment will display their products this weekend in Richmond.

The place is the Richmond Arena all day Friday and Saturday.

The purpose is for the forest and wood using industry to see the latest products.

It's a good show.

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This is a good time to begin determining your pasture fertilization needs. It's a good time to pull some soil samples to check plant food and lime needs.

Many farmers are going for custom application of plant food for small grain. Most things require a compromise. We save labor by getting the fertilizer spread, but we'll likely loose some production.

Some work on plant food placement shows that a 20 percent increase in yield occurs when the fertilizer is put down with the drill.

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Saw some of Twyman Coleman's apples at Appomattox Frozen Food Locker last week. This local fruit will compare favorably with apples from the larger orchards.

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We've read a lot about the decline of the Bald Eagle. The more recent stories relate his decline with man's use of pesticides.

Now I'm notabout to suggest that pesticides haven't been over - used. But I do believe we've over-emphasized a good thing.

The Bald Eagle has been declining for many years -- look at the record. The Journal of Ecology in 1921 published an article titled "Threatened Extinction of the Bald Eagle." This was 25 years before any civilian use of DDT or other persistant pesticides.

In "Nature Ramblings" carried in Science Newsletter July 3, 1943, the writer pointed to the decline in eagles saying that eagles live in trees near rivers. So when timber was cleared it was inevitable that the eagles had to go. Sewage and industrial waste also contributed to a reduction in fish numbers. This was 3 years before DDT.

Alaska paid a 50 percent bounty on eagles for many years. 115,000 eagles were slain for bounty between 1917 and 1952.

It's easy to become emotional over our National emblem -- we've destroyed his nesting area -- reduced his food supply and paid a bounty on him. Is there little reason for his decline.

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PRECIPITATION:
Last week ..... .24
This month 24.55
This year 31.98

NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED BY WOMEN OF CHURCH

New officers were installed Monday evening by the Women of the Church, Appomattox Presbyterian Court House Church. Installing officer was the district chairman, Miss Beth Forbes of Buckingham Court House.

Mrs. B. G. Anderson is pres.; Mrs. Brod Pack, vice pres.; Mrs. C. G. O'Brien, secy - treas.; Mrs. Earl Martin, historian.

Outreach chairman include Mrs. H. B. Pack, Leadership and Resources; Mrs. Richard Simpson, Personal Faith and Family Life; Mrs. C. L. McDearmon, Christian Community Action and Mrs. Joel Carnefix, the outgoing president, is now chairman of Ecumenical Missions and Relations.

Mrs. Lena Eversole is chairman of Circle I; Mrs. Gordon Bragg, Circle II and Mrs. Joel Carnefix, Circle III.

Mrs. Clifford Harvey conducted the devotionals and Miss Forbes gave the Bible Study Monday evening.

District meeting is Thursday morning, Oct. 22 at Appomattox P. E. Church, Appomattox Presbytery Day is Sunday, Oct. 5 at Hampden-Sydney.

Monday OCTOBER 5 TOWN OF APPOMATTOX

Appomattox County Rescue Squad members PLUS Tri-Hi-Y members and other clubs from Appomattox County High School will be canvassing the town of Appomattox on Monday evening, Oct. 5 to collect funds for the October Rescue Squad drive for $12,500 for a new vehicle. Residents are asked to leave porch lights on -- and to give generously!

DIAL GOOD NEWS 352-7900
LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH

PAMPLIN

The fall mission study conference will be held Thursday, beginning at 7:30 p. m. at the Crewe United Methodist Church in Crewe and on October 4, beginning at 3 p. m. at the Farmville United Methodist Church, Farmville. These conferences will give an introduction to the mission study concerns "themes" for the year and to the materials to be studied, including books, drama and audio visuals.

Mr. J. M. Cobb, Jr. has returned from a business trip to Atlanta, Georgia and New York.

Frank Cumbie is a patient at Lynchburg General Hospital and will undergo surgery this week.

Mrs. Lucile Harper of Richmond visited her family last week.

Mrs. Robert Harris returned home last week from the medical College Hospital of Richmond.

Mrs. Pattie Canada and daughter were visitors in town last week.

Elon Baptist Church will have their annual Homecoming Sunday, October 4. Lunch will be served.

Mr. Tom Jennell of Dayton, Ohio and Miss Evelyn Jennell of Roanoke were recent guests of Mrs. Z. T. Moran.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Nash spent last week with Mrs. Ed. Richie of Centerville.

Forest Fires are a menace to the public!

FFA Program Of Work Presented

The Appomattox FFA Chapter of Appomattox County High School held its first meeting on September 24, 1970 with president Gary Thomas presiding. The meeting was opened with the regular opening ceremony. Roll call showed 200 members present.

The treasurer, Phillip Lucado, reported a balance on hand of $795.93. The reporter Doug Webb then reported on news articles published.

Mr. Johnson, chapter advisor, then presented the 1970-71 program of work. The appointment of committees was then made by Gary Thomas. Other committees reporting were Wildlife by Randy Foster, and a special committee report on the State and National Convention by Doug Webb.

Mr. Johnson and Gary Tomas then presented all the money winners of the chapter at the Five County Fair.

The meeting was then adjourned and the chapter then had their picture made on the Football Field.

Doug Webb, Reporter

Tuesday OCTOBER 6 OAKVILLE

Ruritans of Oakville and other Oakville area groups are going to help the Appomattox County Rescue Squad on their annual door-to-door fund raising drive Tuesday night, Oct. 6. Please leave porch lights on -- and please GIVE so that Appomattox County citizens can have a badly needed ambulance for emergency calls.

BECKHAM

SEPT. 29 - Mrs. Clyde Moore and Mrs. Jimmy Guill of Appomattox spent the week end with Mr. H. O. Martin.

Mr. H. O. Martin, Mrs. Clyde Moore, Mrs. Jimmy Guill, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Story, Tony and Irene were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Thelma Racey and family of Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drumheller, Timmy and Dana were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Winston Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burcher, of Hovardsville, were recent visitors of Mrs. Herman Moore.

Our community was saddened by the recent death of Mr. Herbert Moore, Sr. We extend to his family our sympathy.

Mrs. H. C. Moore spent Sunday night with Mrs. O. W. Martin, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Martin, of Oakville.

Ricky Burge was Sunday dinner guest of Ronnie Morris.

A picnic lunch was served at the home of Mrs. R. E. Mays Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burge and family of Forest, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell and daughter, of Tyro, Mr. and Mrs. Hill Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Blankenship and family, Mrs. Mary Burge and Mr. Paul Burge.

Carolyn Jo spent Monday night with Gay Honeycutt of Appomattox.

Thursday OCTOBER 8 RED HOUSE

Be on the lookout for company Thursday night, Oct. 8, if you live in Red House! Members of the Red House Club and Appomattox County Rescue Squad members will be going from door-to-door seeking funds to buy a third vehicle for the Squad's use in helping with emergencies everywhere in the county. "Help Us Help You!" is their motto.

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...rifles which ch... ...unlike conven... ...quire loose black ...fast from head ...er of barrel. ...ullet rifling are ...barrel to give ...as it is forced ...ation of powder. ...means the firing ...accuracy of the gun, Hacker Martin would rifle the barrels for his guns with a simple machine in his shop. Walking several miles backand forth the length of the tool and turning it by hand. He could finish a barrel in less time than a fully mechanized machine could do. Once the barrel was rifled he would fit it with a breech plug and set the entire barrel into a rough stock. The stock was then worked down to a smooth and integrated portion of the rifle. The lock and butt plate fitted; then the trigger set in. Doing all of the work by hand Hacker would manager to produce a long rifle in two weeks' time and pistol in a week. Included in the making of a gun would be fine carving and delicate inlays of silver which only embellished Mr. Martin's other fine craftsmanship.

Hailing from Tennesse, Mr. Martin came to Virginia to operate the mill and make guns at Wreck Island. He built up a fine business as a gunsmith and was extremely successful selling his rifles. He loved Virginia and the people who had been so good to him. Often he would remark how much he owed to his lovely Virginia.

Today at the shop of Hacker Martin, Mr. Robert Carr is treading in the footsteps of his teacher by continuing the legacy of fine rifle making left to him. A legacy of skill and artistic achievement that is rare to see in our generation.

...r, apprentice to well known gunsmith, the late ...of Wreck Island Creek, puts finishing touches ...rifle, custom ordered by a Pennsylvania gun ...bert Carr is continuing in the Hacker Martin ...turning out custom made guns at Old Mill Gun ...ck Island Creek.

EVERGREEN

Mrs. Ernest Calhoun of Baltimore visited Mrs. R. W. Staples last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harvey visited their children Sunday at Lynchburg.

Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Farmer and Miss Mabel Farmer of Hillville, Va. visited Mrs. Clara Garrett, and Mrs. Alice Jackson last week.

Mrs. Mattie McCall, Mrs. L. M. Ringham of Lynchburg were luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Z. E. Cheatham.

Friends are sorry to hear Dr. Carl A. Collins is in the Lynchburg General Hospital. A speedy recovery is wished him.

Miss Blannie Evans, Mrs. Lizzie Hodge has moved in our community.

Those who visited Mrs. J. C. Staples over the week end were Mrs. Mabel S. White and Joe, Mrs. Larry Adams and family, Mrs. L. M. Ringham all of Lynchburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley.

Mr. Z. E. Cheatham, Steve Baker, Harold Stratton, Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Paulette attended the horse show Friday and Saturday at Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Garrett Charles, Mrs. Lelia Sweeney, Miss Nell Eller, visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McNeil at Stateville, N. C.

Mr. Archie LeGrand has returned home from the Medical College Hospital. Hope he will soon be much better.

Mrs. J. C. Staples is on the sick list but she is improving now. Hope she will soon be well.

Mrs. C. J. Paulette has returned home after spending some time with Mrs. H. M. Robinson at Pamplin.

'ARNOLD' VIP

He isn't "Arnold" the pig of television fame, but his name is "Arnold", nevertheless, a week old piglet rejected by its natural mother. So Dave Cyrus of Spout Spring has been bottle feeding "Arnold" and reports that his "Green Acres" namesake is doing very well.

GLADSTONE

Kimberley Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Christian Carter, was honored on her seventh birthday with a party given on Saturday by her parents. Present were contemporaries of the honoree.

A color scheme of pink and green, in combination with a decorated cake, hats, and party favors, carried out the birthday motif.

Mrs. Carter was assisted by Mrs. Ernest Anderson of New Canton and Mrs. C. R. Brown. Out of town guests included Ashley Anderson of New Canton and Bill Carter and Porter Carter of Appomattox.

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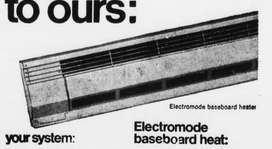

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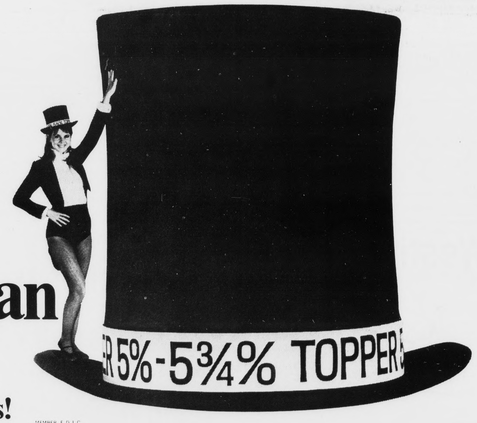

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